

Reid Questions Department Of Defense "Public Relations" Expenditures

WASHINGTON — Challenging the current Department of Defense custom of paying \$140-\$500 million annually for the "public relations" costs of defense contractors, Rep. Harry Reid is co-sponsoring legislation introduced today to eliminate these wasteful practices.

These costs include such items as foreign travel, corporate parties, glossy advertising, Hollywood-style promotion films and plastic models of military equipment. "My bill will eliminate the tax deduction for defense contractor public relations costs," Reid said, "as these expenses are neither 'ordinary' nor 'necessary' to the business of a strong national defense."

Reid said it is outrageous for the public to bear these costs, considering the tremendous deficit problem and the pressures to reduce spending and increase revenue. "Can we really justify continuing to allow defense contractors both to charge the taxpayer for elaborate parties and plastic toys..." Reid asked, "and then to write those costs off their taxes?"

For more than 20 years, the Pentagon has allowed contractors to bill the American public for so-called public relations expenses, which add to the cost of weapon systems and to the Pentagon budget. Reid added, "and, I'm going to do what I can to stop this irreverent practice."

12th Maccabiah Games To Open July 15

TEL AVIV (WNMS) — More than 4,000 Jewish athletes will compete in 30 different sports at the 12th Maccabiah Games due to open at the Ramat Gan stadium on July 15, according to an announcement by the International Committee for the Maccabi Games.

Some 3,400 of the record 4,200 participants will be coming from abroad, one-third of them from Latin America. The U.S. contingent is expected to number 550, up from 372 at the last games; and Australia, up from 193 to about 300. New entries this year will be

ORT Day Luncheon

Ladies! You are cordially invited to spend an interesting and delightful afternoon with the Las Vegas Chapter of W.A.O. (Rehabilitation Through Training). The annual ORT Day Luncheon will be held on Wed. March 27 at the Imperial Palace Convention Center Hall at 11:30 A.M.

Entertainment will be provided by Jimmy, a most versatile one man show, goes from Dixieland to popular classical music. He performed 4 years with Miami Symphony Orchestra and is currently appearing at the Fiddler Restaurant and Deli 4 nights a week. Also performing will be the exciting husband and wife team Zelda and Jimmy Cassata. If you have had the pleasure of seeing them before, you know you are in for a real treat.

Last but not least, there will be oodles of door prizes, and raffle prizes galore, including a free drawing for a \$500 cash award to the lucky winner.

Admission to this gala affair is \$8.00. Ladies joining ORT between now and the luncheon will be guests of ORT. Membership dues are \$15 a year, and you will be paid up members till July 1986, in addition to free lunch.

The next meeting will take place on April 24. A new slate of officers will then be presented to the membership for approval. Voting will take place in May and installation in June. In the months ahead many social activities are being planned in addition to our regular business meetings.

We will keep you informed through our newsletter and newspaper articles. Happy Holiday is once more in order with the advent of Purim and Passover.

For reservations and information call Florence 734-7689 or Esther 798-4266.

from Bermuda, Angeles Olympics will be cricket, badminton, field hockey, squash and golf.

Two new sports will be introduced at this international Jewish sports meet -- rugby football and high diving. Other games which were not included in the Los

Temple Beth Sholom

Announces New Toddler Program

Mommy (Or Daddy) & Me

Temple Beth Sholom is delighted to announce the beginning of a new toddler program at their facility at 1600 East Oakey Blvd. The Mommy (or Daddy) & Me program is designed for children 18 months through 30 months of age. It will meet two mornings a week, for 1-1/2 hours each morning.

The program is designed to give children their first classroom experience with their mom (or dad) being there for emotional and physical needs only.

Parents will participate with their child in crafts, story telling, music and outdoor play. All Jewish holidays will be discussed and appropriate crafts and stories will be introduced at these times. The children will get to know the Rabbi and Cantor and visit the Sanctuary in a relaxed atmosphere.

Lois Bergman will be the instructor for this exciting program. Mrs. Bergman currently teaches at Temple Beth Sholom's Nursery School and Nate Mack Religious School.

Mommy (& Daddy) and Me will begin its two month Pilot Program in April and continue through the end of May.

For further information, please call Elaine Scher, the volunteer coordinator, at 369-0100, or Isabel J. Goldberg, Synagogue Administrator, at Temple Beth Sholom, at 384-5070.

JOHANNESBURG (WNS) — Dennis Goldberg, a leader of the banned African National Congress who has spent more than 20 years in prison, was released according to a report by the South African Radio. He received permission to fly to Israel.

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